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EO 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: HOUGH VISIT--WILMINGTON SAFEGUARDS EXERCISE

REF: IAEA VIENNA 0124

1. GORDON HOUGH (US), HEAD OF FIELD OPERATIONS SECTION, DEPARTMENT OF SAFEGUARDS DEVELOPMENT, IAEA, IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TO BE IN CANADA ON SAFEGUARDS BUSINESS FEBRUARY 11 THRU 15. IN CONNECTION WITH THAT TRIP, HE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT GE/WILMINGTON TO UNDERTAKE TASK F7 DESCRIBED IN LIST OF US ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

2. SPECIFICALLY, HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH NRC AND GE OFFICIALS A) NUCLEAR MATERIALS DESCRIPTION CODE FOR MATERIALS IN PLANT, B) STRATIFICATION OF PLANT INVENTORY, AND C) SOME OF THE MEASUREMENT ERRORS DESCRIBED IN DRAFT FACILITY ATTACHMENT FOR GE/WILMINGTON. BASED ON GE AND NRC VIEWS ON THESE SUBJECTS, HOUGH WOULD DEFINE AGENCY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR KEY ASPECTS OF REPORTING PHASE OF WILMINGTON EXERCISE.

3. HOUGH BELIEVES JOB CAN BE COMPLETED IN TWO OR THREE DAYS, E. G. PRIOR TO OR AFTER HIS VISIT TO CANADA.
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THIS SHOULD BE DONE PRIOR TO GE INVENTORY TAKING AT WILMINGTON. HOUGH WOULD NOT NEED TO BE AT WILMINGTON DURING INVENTORY TAKING.

4. VLADIMIR SUKHORUCHKIN (USSR) OF FIELD OPERATIONS SECTION, DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, WILLI THEIS (FRG) OF AMERICAS SECTIONS, OPERATIONS DIVISION, AND

GEORGE FARRIS (US) OF SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION TREATMENT UNIT COMPRISE THE AGENCY'S TEAM LEADERS ON THIS EXERCISE. AGENCY EXPECTS SUKHORUCHKIN AND THEIS WOULD OBSERVE THE INVENTORY TAKING. PERHAPS TWO OR THREE DAYS PRIOR TO INVENTORY TAKING, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR THEM PLUS FARRIS TO MEET WITH NRC AND POSSIBLY GE REPS AND OTHERS TO DISCUSS THE EXERCISE AS A WHOLE AND SPECIFICALLY THE GE INVENTORY TAKING AND REPORTING PLANS. THESE DISCUSSIONS COULD HAVE BEARING ON EVENTUAL IAEA/NRC SAFEGUARDS IMPLEMENTATION INTERFACE.

5. TIMING FOR ABOVE DISCUSSION THEREFORE RELATED, INTER ALIA, TO TIMING OF INVENTORY TAKING AT WILMINGTON. AS NOTED REFTEL, MISSION AND AGENCY WOULD LIKE REPORT OF JANUARY 11 AND 12 MEETINGS ON WILMINGTON EXERCISE ASAP. THAT REPORT, PLUS WASHINGTON SUGGESTIONS FOR TIMING OF VISITS, PLUS WASHINGTON VIEWS OF PROPOSALS IN THIS TELEGRAM AND COMPANION TELEGRAM ON SUBSIDIARY ARRANGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS ARE DESIRED BY MISSION AND AGENCY FOR DETERMINING NEXT STEPS HERE.

6. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED HOUGH VISIT, PLEASE ADVISE AMBASSADOR TAPE THAT HOUGH IS MEMBERS OF SECRETARIAT'S INTERNAL WORKING GROUP ON REORGANIZATION OF SAFEGUARDS DEPARTMENT. THIS WORKING GROUP IS PREPARING THE PAPERS FOR NEXT MEETING OF GROUP OF EXPERTS ON THIS SUBJECT, OF WHICH AMB. TAPE IS MEMBER. HOUGH WOULD BE GLAD TO MEET WITH AMB. TAPE TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER PRIOR TO HOUGH'S VISIT
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TO CANADA. PLEASE ADVISE IF MISSION SHOULD PURSUE THIS FURTHER WITH HOUGH. END CONFIDENTIAL

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